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TAGS: ILO PLAB PORG OVIP

SUBJ: ILO: NOVEMBER GOVERNING BODY MEETING - ARAB WORKERS
IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

PASS LABOR FOR SEGALL, PERSONS & QUACKENBUSH

REF: GENEVA 6383

1. SUMMARY. ILO DG BLANCHARD MAY RAISE ISRAELI REQUEST FOR
SPECIAL ILO SURVEY DURING WASHINGTON VISIT NEXT WEEK. END
SUMMARY.

2. FRANCIS WOLF CONFIRMED SUBSTANCE PARA 1 REFTEL THAT ISRAELIS
HAVE REQUESTED SPECIAL SURVEY OF CONDITIONS OF ARAB WORKERS.
WOLF SOMEWHAT AMAZED ISRAELIS HAD TOLD US OF LETTER, SAID
ISRAELI REQUEST KNOWN TO ONLY FOUR PEOPLE IN ILO AND ASKED
THAT US TREAT MATTER IN SAME WAY. HE THEN INTIMATED BLANCHARD
WOULD RAISE ISSUE IN MEETINGS WITH GEORGE MEANY AND
AMBASSADOR BUFFUM.

3. WOLF SAID BLANCHARD HAD NOT YET DECIDED HOW TO HANDLE
ISRAELI REQUEST, BUT THAT IT WAS NOT MANDATORY FOR HIM TO
INFORM OFFICERS OF GOVERNING BODY. ONCE HE APPOINTS EXPERT
TO CONDUCT SURVEY, DG WOULD NOTIFY DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE
OF GOVERNING BODY; HOWEVER, CONDUCT OF SURVEY IS RESPONSIBILITY
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OF DG AND NOT DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE.DALE

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